

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a current listing of claims and will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please amend the claims as follows:

1-74. (Cancelled).

75. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

~~establishing an audio connection with a first user;~~
receiving an audio signal ~~from the first user via the audio connection;~~
recording said received audio signal to create an audio file;
storing said recorded audio file at a location accessible via a network~~the Internet;~~
associating the recorded audio file with an image file such that when input selecting said image file is received from a first user via the network, said recorded audio file is available for playback to said first user.

~~receiving input from said first user specifying a second user, wherein said input specifying said second user is received after said establishing said audio connection with said first user;~~

~~receiving a request from said specified second user to access said stored audio file, wherein said request is received via the Internet;~~

~~responsive to said request from said second user, providing said stored audio file to said second user via the Internet.~~

76. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 75, wherein said received audio signal includes a plurality of component audio signals.

77. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, wherein said received audio signal corresponds to ~~said first~~ a second user's voice.

78. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, wherein the audio signal ~~connection is established-received~~ via a public telephone network, and wherein said request from said ~~second~~ first user is via a browser.

79. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, said method further comprising:

receiving an indication from said ~~first~~second user that said recorded audio file is approved, wherein said storing is performed in response to said recorded audio file being approved.

80. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 79, further comprising:

reproducing said recorded audio file prior to said receiving said indication from said ~~first~~second user that said recorded audio file is approved.

81. (Previously Presented) The method claim 80, wherein said reproducing said recorded audio file includes playing back said recorded audio file.

82. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 79, further comprising:

editing said recorded audio file prior to said receiving said indication from said ~~first~~second user that said recorded audio file is approved.

83. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 79, further comprising:

rerecording said audio file prior to said receiving said indication from said ~~first~~ second user that said recorded audio file is approved.

84. (Cancelled).

85. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, said method further comprising:

obtaining profile information from said ~~first~~second user; and
storing at least a portion of the obtained information in a user profile.

86. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, said method further comprising;

billing said ~~first~~ second user for said storing said recorded audio file.

87. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, further comprising:
providing ~~notification~~ an indication of said location of said stored audio file, wherein said ~~notification~~ indication is usable to access said stored audio file ~~via the Internet~~.
88. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, wherein said indication is provided ~~providing notification includes providing~~ said location of said stored audio file to said first-second user.
89. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein said indication is provided ~~providing notification includes providing said location of said stored audio file to said second~~ first user.
90. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 88, wherein said indication is provided ~~providing notification includes providing said location of said stored audio file to said second~~ first user.
91. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 89, wherein said providing ~~notification~~ includes posting said indication of the location of said stored audio file on an Internet website.
92. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein said ~~notification~~ indication is provided via a telephone network.
93. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein said ~~notification~~ indication is provided via fax.
94. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein said ~~notification~~ indication is provided via email.
95. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein said indication is providing ~~notification includes transmitting a link indicative of said a location of the recorded audio file on~~

said server.

96. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 87, wherein said providing notification includes:

including a link to the stored audio file in a second file; and
transmitting the second file to said first user.

97. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, further comprising receiving a request from said first user to ~~wherein said providing said stored audio file to said second user via the Internet includes downloading~~ said stored audio file ~~to said second user~~.

98. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 75, further comprising receiving a request from said first user to ~~wherein said providing said stored audio file to said second user via the Internet includes~~ playing back said stored audio file ~~to said second user~~.

99. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 75, further comprising:
making a determination regarding the quality of the recorded audio file.

100. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 99, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, and wherein said determination regarding the quality of recorded audio file is based upon information received from said ~~first~~ second user.

101. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 75, further comprising:
making a determination regarding the content of the recorded audio file.

102. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 101, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, and wherein said determination regarding the content of the recorded audio file is based upon information received from said ~~first~~ second user.

103. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 102, further comprising:
making a determination regarding the content of the recorded audio file.

104. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 103, wherein said determination regarding said quality and said determination regarding said content of the recorded audio file is based upon information received from said ~~first~~ second user.

105. (Currently Amended) A system, comprising:

a processor subsystem; and

a memory coupled to the processor subsystem, wherein the memory is configured to store program instructions executable by the processor subsystem to:

~~establish an audio connection with a first user;~~

~~receive an audio signal from the first user via the audio connection;~~

record said received audio signal to create an audio file;

store said recorded audio file at a location accessible via a network ~~the Internet~~;

associate the recorded audio file with an image file such that when input selecting said image file is received from a first user via the network, said recorded audio file is available for playback to said first user.

~~receive input from said first user specifying a second user, wherein said input specifying said second user is received after said establishing said audio connection with said first user;~~

~~receive a request from said specified second user to access said stored audio file, wherein said request is received via the Internet;~~

~~responsive to said request from said second user, provide said stored audio file to said second user via the Internet.~~

106. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 105, wherein said received audio signal includes a plurality of component audio signals.

107. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 105, wherein said received audio signal corresponds to said ~~first~~ a second user's voice.

108. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 105, wherein the audio signal ~~connection~~ is

~~established~~received via a public telephone network, and wherein said request from said ~~second~~first user is via a browser.

109. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 105, wherein said program instructions are further executable to:

provide an indication ~~notification to said first user~~ of said location of said stored audio file, wherein said ~~notification~~ indication is usable for accessing said stored audio file.

110. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 105, wherein said program instructions are further executable to:

make a determination regarding the content of the recorded audio file.

111. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 110, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, and wherein said determination regarding the content of the recorded audio file is based upon information received from said ~~first~~second user.

112. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 105, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, and wherein said program instructions are further executable to:

provide a ~~second~~given user access to said stored audio file via the Internet in response to said ~~second~~ given user issuing a request corresponding to a link supplied by said ~~first~~ second user.

113. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 105, wherein said program instructions ~~executable to provide access to said stored audio file include program instructions~~ are executable to download said stored audio file to said ~~second~~ a requesting user.

114. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 105, wherein said program instructions ~~executable to provide access to said stored audio file include program instructions~~ are executable to play back said stored audio file to a requesting user.

115-144. (Cancelled).

145. (New) The method of claim 75, wherein said recorded audio file is accessible via the Internet to any user specifying a first resource identifier corresponding to said location.

146. (New) The method of claim 145, wherein the first resource identifier is a Uniform Resource Locator (URL).

147. (New) The method of claim 85, wherein said profile information includes information specifying that said recorded audio file be associated with said image file.

148. (New) The method of claim 75, wherein said image file is a photograph.

149. (New) The system of claim 105, wherein said recorded audio file is accessible via the Internet to any user specifying a first resource identifier corresponding to said location.

150. (New) The system of claim 149, wherein the first resource identifier is a Uniform Resource Locator (URL).

151. (New) The system of claim 105, wherein said program instructions are executable to associate the recorded audio file with the image file using profile information for said recorded audio file that specifies said image file.

152. (New) The system of claim 105, wherein said image file is a photograph.

153. (New) One or more computer-readable media storing program instructions that are computer executable to:

receive an audio signal;

record said received audio signal to create an audio file;

store said recorded audio file at a location accessible via a network;

associate the recorded audio file with an image file such that when input selecting said image file is received from a first user via the network, said recorded audio file is

available for playback to said first user.

154. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said received audio signal includes a plurality of component audio signals.

155. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said received audio signal corresponds to a second user's voice.

156. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein the audio signal is received via a public telephone network, and wherein said request from said first user is via a browser.

157. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said program instructions are further executable to:

provide an indication of said location of said stored audio file, wherein said indication is usable for accessing said stored audio file.

158. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said audio signal is received from a second user, and wherein said program instructions are further executable to:

provide a given user access to said stored audio file via the Internet in response to said given user issuing a request corresponding to a link supplied by said second user.

159. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said program instructions are executable to download said stored audio file to a requesting user.

160. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said program instructions are executable to play back said stored audio file to a requesting user.

161. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said recorded audio file is accessible via the Internet to any user specifying a first resource identifier corresponding to said location.

162. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 161, wherein the first resource identifier is a Uniform Resource Locator (URL).

163. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said program instructions are executable to associate the recorded audio file with the image file using profile information for said recorded audio file that specifies said image file.

164. (New) The computer-readable media of claim 153, wherein said image file is a photograph.